

Minutes

**SIOUXLAND INTERSTATE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (SIMPCO)
METROPOLITAN PLANNING COUNCIL (MPO)
Transportation Technical Committee (TTC)
Wednesday, March 2, 2022, 1:30 p.m.
SIMPCO office, 1122 Pierce Street, Sioux City IA & Zoom Conference Call**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dave Carney, Chair	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Tom Rohe, Vice Chair	Plymouth County, Iowa
Jill Wanderscheid	City of Sioux City, Iowa
Mike Collett	City of Sioux City, IA / Airport
Aaron Lincoln	City of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa
Jeff Dooley	Dakota Dunes CID, South Dakota
Jeff Harcum	City of Sioux City, IA / Transit System
Lance Hedquist	City of South Sioux City, Nebraska
Mark Nahra	Woodbury County, Iowa
Jerry Boom	Union County, South Dakota
Eric Christensen	City of North Sioux City, South Dakota

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT/GUESTS:

Dakin Schultz	Iowa Dept. of Transportation
Jessica Felix	Iowa Dept. of Transportation
Sarah Gilkerson	South Dakota Dept. of Transportation
Craig Wacker	Nebraska Dept. of Transportation

STAFF PRESENT:

Michelle Bostinelos, Executive Director	SIMPCO
Erin Berzina, Regional Planning Director	SIMPCO
Ryan Brauer, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Corinne Erickson, Regional Planner	SIMPCO
Jasmine Lammers, Finance Director	SIMPCO
Emily Coppock, Administrative Assistant	SIMPCO

The TTC met on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, 1:30 p.m., via in person and zoom. A quorum was present. Chair Carney called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

- I. **Introductions:** Chair Dave Carney opened the meeting with a roll call.
- II. **Approval of the Agenda:** Chair Dave Carney asked if there were any additions or corrections to the March 2, 2022, regular meeting agenda.

Mark Nahra moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Tom Rohe. Motion carried all ayes.

- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** Chair Dave Carney asked if there were any additions or corrections to the January 5, 2022, regular meeting minutes.

Tom Rohe moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented, seconded by Mark Nahra. Motion carried.

- IV. **Review Monthly Correspondence:** Erin Berzina provided an overview of current projects and staff activities outlined in the Director Report included in the meeting packet.
- V. **Transportation Improvement Progress Report:** Members provided an update on the progress of transportation improvements currently underway throughout the MPO area.
- VI. **FY 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments:** Michelle Bostinelos presented the following amendments to the FY 2022-2025 TIP for positive recommendation to the Policy Board.

1. Dodge Ave Reconstruction in Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$1,300,000 with \$1,040,000 Federal participation (STBG-SWAP) in FY 23
2. South Cecelia Reconstruction in Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$850,000 with \$117,000 Federal participation (STBG-SWAP) in FY 23
3. Development of the State Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Plan in South Dakota needs to be programmed for a total estimated cost of \$520,000 with \$416,000 Federal participation in FY 22
4. Shared use path in North Sioux City needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$915,000 with \$400,000 Federal participation (TAP) in FY 24
5. Shared use path in Dakota Dunes needs to be programmed for a total cost of \$455,000 with \$341,000 Federal participation (TAP) in FY 24

Jeff Dooley moved to approve the amendments presented, seconded by Aaron Lincoln. Motion carried all ayes.

- VII. **FY 2026 Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Flex Allocation, Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) balances and applications (Iowa):** Corinne Erickson presented the TAC with the TAP Flex Target amount for FY 2026 and presented the TAP and STBG balance and applications for review and recommendation to the Policy Board.

TAP Flex:

- TAP Flex target amount of \$95,000 needs to be allocated to STBG and/or TAP balances

No motion – TAP Flex program is no longer available starting in FY 23. Previously allocated TAP Flex funds in both the TAP balance and STBG balance were removed from spreadsheet

- Removing TAP Flex dollars and adjusting the targets set new balances as follows:
 - TAP: FY 23 \$214,000; FY 24 \$469,700; FY 25 \$385,500; FY 26 \$640,500
 - STBG: FY 23 \$508,015; FY 24 \$3,208,015; FY 25 \$2,614,015; FY 26 \$3,289,615

TAP:

- Loess Hills Scenic Trail (Sioux City and Sergeant Bluff) request of \$200,000

Mark Nahra moved to approve \$200,000 in FY 26, seconded by Tom Rohe. Motion carried. Jill Wanderscheid moved to approve programming an additional \$315,000 in TAP funds to the Loess Hill Scenic Trail project in FY 26 for a total of \$515,000 in FY 26, seconded by Mark Nahra. Motion carried all ayes.

STBG:

- 11th Street Reconstruction (Sioux City) request of \$4,659,200
- South Cecelia Street Reconstruction \$1,263,000

Dave Carney motioned to remove the Gordon Drive project in the amount of \$2,024,400 from the program, seconded by Mark Nahra. Motion carried all ayes.

Tom Rohe motioned to program \$4,000,000 in STBG funds to the 11th Street Reconstruction project in FY 26, seconded by Mark Nahra. Motion carried all ayes.

Dave Carney motioned to move \$116,900 from South Cecelia reconstruction project from FY 23 to FY 24 and program an additional \$1,263,000 in new STBG funds in FY 24, for a total of \$1,379,900 in FY 24, seconded by Mark Nahra. Motion carried all ayes.

VIII. **Draft MPO Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP) FY 2023:** Erin Berzina presented the draft MPO TPWP FY 2023 in conformance with Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and each state's Department of Transportation. Michelle Bostinelos discussed special project carry over budget of \$240,000 and proposed the MPO special project application. Discussion held.

IX. **Additional Comments:** Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 3, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

X. **Adjournment:** Mark Nahra moved to adjourn, seconded by Tom Rohe. Meeting closed at 3:05 p.m.